THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): The Government has initiated a number of measures to promote exports and curtail non-essential imports. Attempts are also being made to augment foreign exchange earnings through capital inflows including accelerated disbursements of committed external assistance

Export of Monkeys

984 SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO. KALVALA.
SHRI JITENDRA BHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to lift the ban on export of monkeys;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that number of monkeys being exported clandestinely are increasing every year; and

(d) the number of monkeys exported during the last five years, year-wise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) There is no information with the Government on the number of monkeys exported clandestinely, if any

(d) Export of monkeys has been banned since Nov 1977 and continues to be banned Therefore, the question of export of monkeys in the last five years does not arise

Export of Iron Ore to Japan

985 SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state

(a) whether Government have a proposal to export iron ore to Japan in a big way,

(b) if so, the total quantum of iron ore expected to be exported annually;

(c) whether any agreement has been signed with Japan for this purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SHANTILAL PURUSHOTTAMDAS PATEL): (a) and (b) Besides export of Iron Ore of Goan origin by private shippers, MMTC proposes to export 11.53 to 13.75 million tonnes p.a. of Iron Ore to Japan for five years from 1-4-91.

(c) *Yes, Sir.*

(d) Annual quantities of Iron Ore to be exported under the Agreement between the Japanese Steel Mills and MMTC are as under:

(Qty in million tonnes)

	Lumps	Fines	Total
1 From Vizag (Bailadila)	3.50 to 4.00	1.00 to 1.50	4.5 to 5.5
2 Madras . . .	1.80 to 2.20	0.70 to 0.80	2.5 to 3.0
3 Paradeep .	1.50 to 2.00	—	1.5 to 2.0
4 KIOCL . .			
(Mangalore) Concentrates Silicious	—	2.50	2.50
Concentrates	—	0.25 to 0.35	0.25 to 0.35
Pellets . .	0.28 to 0.40	—	0.28 to 0.40
TOTAL (range) .	7.08 to 8.60	4.45 to 5.15	11.53 to 13.75